

Committee of Physical Therapy Minutes

Date: August 6, 2004

Time: 9:10 a.m. CDT

Location: Cumberland Conference Room
Ground Floor, Cordell Hull Building
425 Fifth Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37247-1010

Members Present: Dr. Carol Counts Likens, Chair
Sharon Dunseath
Dr. J. Randy Walker, Jr., Secretary
Brigina Wilkerson

Members Absent: Corene Coffey

Staff Present: Marva Swann, Unit Director
Mary V. Webb, Board Administrator
Rainey Irwin, Litigating Attorney
Nicole Armstrong, Advisory Attorney
Jerry Kosten, Regulations Manager

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m., by Dr. Carol Counts Likens, Chair

Office of General Counsel (OGC)

Ms. Armstrong reported that there are currently eight open cases pertaining to the Board of OT and PT examiners. One case involves an OT, two cases involve OTAs, three cases involve PTs, and two cases involve PTAs.

Contested Cases

Rainey Irwin, Litigating Attorney for the Office of General Counsel, presented the following Order of modification and agreed order.

William D Hogan received a letter of reprimand and was placed on probation for a year. Mr. Hogan apologized to the board for his actions. A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Dr. Walker. The motion carried.

Traci Felts received an agreed order. A motion was made by Ms. Dunseath and seconded by Dr. Walker. The motion carried.

Applicant Interviews/File Reviews

Gary Shankman – After review of Mr. Shankman's file, a motion was made by Ms. Dunseath and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve Mr. Shankman for a license pending a positive TNPAP report. The motion carried.

Marlieta Milkovich – After review of Ms. Milkovich's file, a motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Dunseath to deny reinstatement of license. The motion carried.

Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Dunseath to approve the minutes from the May 14, 2004 Committee Meeting as submitted. The motion carried.

Rulemaking Hearings

Jerry Kosten, Rules Regulations Manager, presented the Committee with a notice of a Rulemaking Hearing to take place on October 22, 2004 regarding, correct numbering errors, code of ethics, Class I competency requirements and Code of Ethics for PTAs. A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded Dr. Walker. The motion carried.

A roll call vote was conducted for the rulemaking hearing held on July 13, 2004 regarding who may not supervise an internationally educated applicant during internship. A motion was made by Ms. Dunseath and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson. The motion carried.

A roll call vote was conducted for the rulemaking hearing held on July 23, 2004 regarding remediation for repeat examinees to change the remediation period from three months to six months. A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Ms. Dunseath. The motion carried.

Discussion

Nicole Armstrong discussed Public Chapter 575 and explained that it is regarding an independent reviewer. A motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Dunseath. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Wilkerson and seconded by Dr. Walker to adopt a policy regarding continuing competency requirements.

Dr. Likens would like discussed whether Physical therapists are allowed to supervise Home Health Aides and other skilled personnel. Ms. Armstrong suggested that the board discuss the matter at a later time after she has had time to investigate the information.

Peer Assistance Program

Ms. Webb presented the TNPAP report which indicated that there were three new referrals and one therapist was currently being monitored.

Remediation Review

Richard Reeves – Mr. Reeves' remediation was denied due to his past attempts to pass the exam. Mr. Reeves' remediation letter was not thorough enough for the board to decide where his weak areas are. Ms. Dunseath made a motion to deny the remediation and Dr. Walker seconded. The motion carried.

Jami Patel – remediation denied due to not being specific in details regarding what her weak areas are. Dr. Walker made a motion to deny and Ms. Wilkerson seconded. The motion carried.

Karen McGee – A motion was made by Ms. Dunseath and seconded by Dr. Walker to approve Ms. McGee's remediation. The motion carried.

Robin Anderson – A motion was made by Ms. Dunseath and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to accept Ms. Robinson's remediation. The motion carried.

Heather Brashear – A motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to accept Ms. Brashear's remediation plan. The Committee also suggested that she take an anxiety exam. The motion carried.

Credential Review

Anna Ligon – A motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Dunseath to approve Ms. Ligon for her 480 hour clinical internship. The motion carried.

Jemel Lasig - A motion was made by Ms. Dunseath and seconded by Dr. Walker to approve Mr. Lasig to take the PT exam. The motion carried.

Janet Darwish – A motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve Ms. Darwish to complete her 480 hour clinical internship. The motion carried.

Manuel Wilfred – A motion was made by Ms. Dunseath and seconded by Dr. Walker to approve Mr. Wilfred to take the PT exam.

Adrian Martin Ong – A motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve Mr. Ong to take the PT exam.

Auditing Procedures

Dr. Walker would like to see a policy in place so that the board can conduct auditing procedures starting the first quarter of 2005.

Administrative Report

Ms. Webb reported that as of June 2004 for Physical Therapists were 3521 active licenses, 750 retired licenses, 1805 failed to renew licenses. Physical Therapist Assistants there were 1922 active licenses, 244 retired licenses and 422 failed to renew licenses.

Financial Report

Ms. Webb presented the financial report which indicated that the Committee had a cumulative projected surplus as of June 30, 2004 of \$1,187,887.

Investigations/Disciplinary Reports

Ms. Webb and Ms. Armstrong reported that there are currently four therapist on probation and, one license has been revoked and one letter of reprimand.

There are currently five open complaints in investigations.

Ratifications

A motion was made by Dr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Wilkerson to approve the new licenses and reinstatements. The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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